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THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$2,000,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$250,000.

LONDON.—40, Threadneedle Street, West End Office, 26, Cockspur Street.

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THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

E. W. RUTTER, Manager.

Hongkong, August 19, 1891. 1362

Intimations.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

GAP ROCK LIGHT.

Latitude, 21° 48' 50" N.
Longitude, 113° 56' 14" E.
THIS LIGHT will be LIT on the 1st APRIL next.

In Order Diorphine Revolving, exhibiting a bright white light every 2 seconds, followed by the same interval of darkness.

Elbow of rock plane 140 feet above high water. Visible in clear weather 20 miles.

The Gap Rock is 400 feet long. The Light is situated on the southern end. Tower and Buildings in one block painted white. Tower 6 feet above coping of Building at eastern end.

W. G. HASTINGS,
Comdr. R. N. (Retd.),
Acting Harbour Master, etc.

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT,
Hongkong, 12th February, 1892. 350

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the Matter of a Bankruptcy Petition filed the 10th day of February, 1892.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Receiving Order dated the 1st day of March, 1892, has been made in the Matter of LAI CHEUNG WUN otherwise LAI CHEUNG WUEN, otherwise LAI FALUNG, and UI PANG otherwise WOO YIN PAN, and all other PARTNERS (if any) in the FUK WO' SHOP, of 54, Jarrow Street, Victoria, Hongkong, upon a Creditor's Petition dated the 10th day of February, 1892.

And Notice is hereby further given that MONDAY, the 21st day of March, 1892, at 12 o'clock, at Noon precisely, has been fixed for the FIRST MEETING of CREDITORS to be held at the LAND OFFICE, Queen's Road Central.

No Creditors can vote unless he previously presents his Debts.

Forms of Proof and Petition may be obtained at the Office of the Official Receiver, during Office hours.

At the First Meeting the Creditors will be asked to consider whether the Debtors shall be adjudged Bankrupt or whether they, the Creditors, will enter into a proposal for a Composition or Scheme of arrangement.

BRUCE SHEPHERD,
Official Receiver.

LAND OFFICE, March 11th, 1892. 486

SOCIETE FRANCAISE DES HOUILLES DE TOURANE.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that THE LAST CALL of \$1.25 per Share will be PAYABLE on the 15th April, 1892, at the OFFICES of the BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE or the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The BANKS will Certify the Receipt of the call at the back of the Scrips. No Special Receipt will be granted.

NOTICE. Scrips will be issued (in exchange of the present ones) to "Bourr or in their Names at the option of the Shareholders.

By Order,
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 1, 1892. 422

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Fourteenth Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pader's Street, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving Report from the General Agents, with a Statement of the Accounts to the 31st December, 1891.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th to the 19th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, March 2, 1892. 428

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Tenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pader's Street, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving Report from the Shareholders, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1891.

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HONGKONG.—INTEREST CHARGED.

4% on LOANS against Shares with full compensation.

2% on Advances against Goods in neutral godowns.

2% on Current Account Overdrafts.

2% on Advances against Goods in private godowns.

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 22, 1892. 173

PRIVATE BOARD & ACCOMMODATION.

M. R. PALOMER, THE VACANCIES

AT KOWLOON, Victoria View.

Hongkong, July 15, 1891. 1389

General Agents.

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Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW GOODS.

SLAZENGER'S "DEMON" TENNIS BATS.
L. C. & CO.'S "KENNINGTON" TENNIS BATS.
L. C. & CO.'S BLACK STRING TENNIS BATS.
"CAVEDISH" TENNIS POLES AND NETS.
STEAM-TAREH TENNIS NETS, &c., &c.

SMITH & WESON'S REVOLVERS. Improved "BULL DOG" REVOLVERS.
COT'S REGULATION REVOLVERS, WINCHESTER MAGAZINE CARBINES.
COLT'S "LIGHTNING" CARBINE. MARTINI HENRY MATCH RIFLES.
HAMMERLESS SPORTING POKING PIECES.

AMMUNITION OF ALL KINDS.
PIGOU & WILK'S "ALLIANCE" GUNPOWDER.

SINGLE STICKS, FOOLS, BOXING GLOVES, BILLIARD SUNDRIES,
FOOTBALLS, QUILTS, CRICKETING GEAR, LAWN, BOWLS, PLAYING
CARDS, CHESS, DRAGUETTES, BACKGAMMON, DICE, DOMINOES, REVERSI,
and a variety of GAMES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, February 27, 1892. 396

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has been instructed by the Liquidator to OFFER for SALE on

FRIDAY, the 18th March, 1892, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at the FACTORY of

THE MARINBURG FURNITURE COMPANY, LIMITED,

No. 128, Wan Chai Road,—

A VARIED COLLECTION OF DRAWING, DINING, BEDROOM,
HALL AND OFFICE FURNITURE

Also,

One New "BARLOCK" TYPEWRITER.

Now on view from 9 to 5 daily.

Catalogues—now ready—may be obtained

from the Auctioneer,

F. RAPP,

Zetland Street,

Hongkong, March 12, 1892. 492

PUBLIC AUCTION.

M. R. RAPP has received instructions to

Sell by Public Auction

(Without Reserve to the Highest Bidder),

ON

SATURDAY,

the 19th day of March, 1892, at Noon, at the OFFICES of the AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central,—

(if not previously disposed of by Private

Contract),

THE FOLLOWING

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

being Nos. 1 to 11, MOUNTAIN VIEW, the

PEAK, VICTORIA, in the Colony of Hongkong, and situated on a Rural Building Lot No. 60 and the Remaining Portion of Rural Building Lot No. 18, as the same premises are held for the residues of two several

periods of 75 years and 75 years respectively from the 10th day of December, 1877, and the 25th day of February, 1892, respectively

of the proportion of the payment of the

of the Crown Rent, payable in respect thereof, and the performance of the Crown Covenants to be performed in respect thereof, and subject also to the

existing letting and management thereof.

The House are situated on the

the Hill District known as

Mountain View, and from the Harbour on the North, the Ladrones Islands on the South, and the Command view of the finest

scenery the Island and its surroundings afford.

The Houses are exceptionally cool in

Summer, and are externally built of Amoy

briar. With a little outlay of money they

could be rendered attractive externally

as they are well appointed and comfortable

internally. Nos. 1 and 11 each contain

one good sized dwelling room, and the

remaining houses have three

bedrooms, a kitchen, a scullery, a

launderette, and all necessary out

offices. Gas is laid on.

The Sale offers to Hongkong residents,

desiring of living in their own homes, an

opportunity which is not likely to occur

again.

The Vendors have arranged for part of

the Purchase Money to remain on Mor

age for a term of years, in the case of

approved Purchasers if desired by them,

but the Debentures of the Austin Arms

Hotel and Building Company, Limited, will

not be accepted in lieu of cash.

The House will be sold in one Lot or

separate Lots, comprising our house each,

at the option of the Vendor.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 12, 1892. 490

To Let.

NOTICE.

TO LET.—FURNISHED from the 1st May, No. 4, MORRISON HILL.

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For Sale.

FOR SALE BY TENDER.

TENDERS are invited for the PURCHASE of the BUSINESS and PROPERTY belonging to the AMOY ICE & ERATED WATERS COMPANY, consisting of—

ONE ICE MACHINE, Complete, by Giese & West, and FITTINGS, at one BOILER and FITTINGS, at one ERATED WATER MACHINE, by J. TAYLOR & SONS, TWO ERATED WATER MACHINES, by DAVYTON & CO., TWO PUMPING MACHINES, and ONE PUMPING APPARATUS.

The Whole to be SOLD with the BUILDINGS containing the above, subject to the conditions on which they are now standing ready for use.

TENDERS will be Received by the Undersigned until Noon, 16th MARCH, 1892, the Vendors reserving the right to reject any Tender.

For further Particulars, apply to N. MOALLE, Manager, AMOY ICE & ERATED WATERS CO., AMOY, 18th February, 1892.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

THE PUNJOM AND SONGHIE DUSA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY are requested to attend a PRIVATE MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS at the Company's OFFICE, Connagh House, Room 24, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 16th instant, at 3.30 p.m., to consider the future working of the Company.

A. O. GOURDIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1892.

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NIPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Mitsubishi Maru*, Captain J. H. FINE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 19th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. R. STEVENS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 14, 1892.

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ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 525.

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DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED.

CHEMISTS, &c.

EUCALYPTUS OIL AND INFLUENZA.

OF all the Preventative OIL OF EUCALYPTUS, either disguised under fancy names or in its pure and simple form, has earned the most professional and lay support, and up to the present, it has certainly vindicated the claims put forward in its behalf."

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NO FIRE INSURANCE has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

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STEAMSHIP SALAZIE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

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To-day's Advertisements.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been Received from the Manchu Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE from the Batteries will take place as under, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

16th and 17th March.—From Kowloon East and Kowloon Dock in a South-Easterly direction.

From Mud Point in a North-Easterly, and Lyman in a North-Easterly, and South and South-Easterly directions.

17th and 18th March.—From Stonecutters' Island in a Westerly and South-Westerly directions.

From Belcher and Fly Point in North-Easterly and Westerly directions.

21st and 25th March.—From Stonecutters' Island, Belcher and Lyman in the same directions as given above.

ALL SHIPS, JUNKS and other VESSELS are cautioned to keep clear of the Batteries.

The inhabitants of the Houses near Belcher, Fly Point, Kowloon East and Kowloon Dock are warned to keep their Glass Windows open during the practice, and all people working in the vicinity of Belcher's Battery are also warned to keep clear of that part which will be indicated by guns placed on sentry for the purpose.

By Command,

W. M. GOODMAN, Acting Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, 7th March, 1892.

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No. 9086.—MARCH 14, 1892.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. H. E. Sir William Robinson, Governor, presided; and there were also present: Hon. G. T. M. O'Brien, O.M.G., Colonial Secretary; Hon. W. M. Goodman, Attorney General; Hon. J. H. Stewart-Lockhart, Registrar General; Hon. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Colonial Treasurer; Hon. F. A. Cooper, Surveyor General; Hon. W. O. H. Hastings, Acting Harbour Master; Hon. O. P. Chater, Hon. T. H. Whitehead, Hon. Ho Kai, Hon. E. E. Belliss, and Mr. A. M. Thompson, Acting Clerk of Council. Absent: Hon. J. J. Kemick.

THE NEW COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Mr. O'Brien, the new Colonial Secretary, having taken the oath of office.

His Excellency said:—Hon. gentlemen, before proceeding to the consideration of the business in the orders of the day, I wish to make a few remarks of a purely personal nature. I do not know whether it is customary in this Colony, but I think it is fitting not only in this but in all other Colonies that some notice should be taken of the appointment of the second officer of command in the Council. I would welcome should be so named to him.

Mr. O'Brien arrived last week and assumes the duties of his office to-day in Council. Mr. O'Brien, by reputation since 1867, and in recent years I may say I have watched his progress with considerable interest, as I feel the possibility of our meeting in some one of Her Majesty's distant colonies at some future time. He comes to us with an unblemished reputation as a most capable, hard-working and conscientious officer. Feeling assured that he will sustain that reputation in this colony I feel perfectly certain I only express the feelings of the members of this Council when I say that we accord him a hearty welcome (applause).

Mr. Chater.—Sir, it is my pleasant duty to supplement the remarks of your Excellency regarding the arrival and appointment of the new Colonial Secretary. Mr. O'Brien comes to what I may say is quite a new place to him, but he comes to us with a high reputation and so far as the unofficial members are concerned we heartily welcome him and sincerely trust that we shall get on together harmoniously. He will find Hongkong no doubt in a somewhat troubled condition at the present moment, but I hope that during his tenure of office the colony may become what we wish it to be—a contented and prosperous colony (applause).

The Colonial Secretary.—Sir, I am extremely obliged to your Excellency for the exceedingly kind manner in which you have introduced me to the Council and to my hon. friend, Sir J. J. Kemick, in which he has received in. I can only say, I shall at all times try to do my duty to the best of my ability, and I am sure the Council will generously make allowance for my inexperience until I have had some little time to acquire myself more fully with the conditions and circumstances of the colony (applause).

LEPERS LAID ON THE TABLE.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a copy of financial returns, which were referred to the Finance Committee; also the annual report of the Headmaster of the Victoria College, for 1891; a report on a petition from the Po Yatuk Kuk or Society for the protection of women and children (asking for a grant from the Government to enable it to meet its expenditure and to place the institution on a firm and lasting basis); and the returns of the Superior and Subordinate Courts for 1891.

THE LATEST MILITARY VOTE.

The Colonial Secretary moved the adoption of the report of last meeting of the Finance Committee, which included the vote of \$2328.711 due to the War Department out of a sum of £116,000 voted for defence works.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Mr. Whitehead.—Sir, I rise to move that the vote of \$2328.711 be reduced by half. I think that is very fair, after the manner in which the War Office insisted upon the Colony, namely in sending as well as in demanding, that the amount of the vote should be reduced by half. I think that if the rate of exchange had been fixed at the time of the War Office's demand, it would have been half as much again as it is now.

The amendment was not seconded, but a division was taken, with the result that all the members voted in favour of the motion with the exception of Mr. Whitehead.

QUESTIONS AT MR. WHITEHEAD.

Mr. Whitehead.—Sir, I give notice that at next meeting of Council I shall ask the following questions:

Does the Government intend to give effect to the opinions expressed in the Report (dated Hongkong 20th February 1892) of the Commission appointed to consider Quarantine and Quarantine Regulations, by amending that part of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance of 1891, which deals with Quarantine, and if, as when, does it propose to do so?

Action.—Barbican Master's Report on the Jau Lin Trade of Hongkong for 1891, dated 11th January last, and more particularly to paragraph 17 thereof, which reads as follows:—“The only controllable cause of the depression of the ‘Junk’ trade is the suppression of the system of exchange established by the Chinese Customs in Hongkong, and the preservation of the neutrality of British waters. Will the Government lay on the table copies of the former correspondence relating to the said report, and any further information or reports in its possession on the subject of the system of exchange established by the Imperial Chinese Customs in Hongkong, &c.”

THE ACTING HARBOUR MASTER AND THE PORT OFFICER.

Mr. Chater.—Having obtained your Excellency's permission I beg to put the following question:—Is it a fact that the Acting Harbour Master, Hon. W. O. H. Hastings, has received the appointment of Acting Port Officer General during the absence of Mr. Trenerry?

His Excellency.—I have no hesitation in answering this question. The report that such an appointment had been made in quite untrue—I have no intention whatever of appointing Mr. Hastings as Acting Port Officer General during the absence of Mr. Trenerry.

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The bill was read a first time.

THE LAW OF LETTERS PATENT.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Patents and Trade Marks in the Colony for Imitations. He explained that the bill was intended to enable the proprietor of a patent obtained in this colony to transfer it to another person, no such provision existing in the present law of the colony. It also gave legal protection to the register of patents and provided for the transfer of the Colonial Secretary's office to the Supreme Court if that at any time should be deemed advisable.

Mr. Chater supported the amendment. After further discussion the fee for a duplicate annual pass was reduced to \$1.

De Ho Kai proposed that the charge for duplicates of quarterly night passes should be reduced to 50 cents. These passes were taken out by the poorer classes in the Colony, and he thought this change would be more in accordance with their means.

Mr. Whitehead seconded.

After a few remarks by the Attorney General, the motion was agreed to unanimously.

The Council then resumed.

The Attorney General moved the Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 3 of 1860, and No. 17 of 1885, in relation to the power of the Governor in Council to grant certain licences. He said there might have been a good reason at the time these Ordinances were passed for making it necessary that licences should be obtained from the Governor in Council, but it was not necessary now that the Governor should call a meeting of Council to sanction the granting of licences to pawnbrokers or the carrying of a gun since the police had powers to deal with these matters.

Agreed.

His Excellency said he did not think it would be necessary to call the Council together to pass the bill.

Mr. Francis said he should be present to see that these passes were taken out by the poorer classes.

Mr. Chater then adjourned.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately thereafter, the Colonial Secretary presiding.

The following vote was put to the meeting:—The Governor recommended to the Council to vote a sum of One Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$180) for the salary of a Veterinary Surgeon and \$20 for the Veterinary Surgeon's Assistant.

The Attorney General and the mover

of the bill passed.

The Chairman.—Sir, Mr. Francis did not say against the company.

The Chairman then adjourned.

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